

MASS TIMES

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Wed @ 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays 9:30-11:30

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January 17, 2016

**SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Announced Masses

Saturday January 16th

Sunday January 17th

**For the Intentions of
Denis Peate**

Tuesday January 18th

PRO POPULO

Wednesday January 19th

Thursday January 20th

Friday January 21st

Saturday January 22nd

Sunday January 23rd

Meditation: Do you recognize the glory and presence of the Lord Jesus in your life? God often reveals his glory to us in the unlikeliest of places - in a cold stable at Bethlehem, at a village wedding party in Cana, on a bloody cross at Golgatha, or on the road to Emmaus. In today's Gospel reading we see the first public sign and miracle which Jesus performed. The Lord Jesus brought great blessing and joy to a newly wed couple and their wedding party. First by his presence, and second by saving them from embarrassment when the wine ran out. Changing water into wine was a remarkable act of kindness; but giving the best to last was unnecessary and unheard of. In the Old Testament wine is seen as both a gift and blessing of God (Deuteronomy 7:13; Proverbs 3:10, Psalm 105:). That Jesus would miraculously produce 120 gallons of the best wine (many times more than needed) shows the superabundance of the blessings which he came to offer.

This miracle signifies the "new rich wine" of the Gospel and it points to the "wine of the new covenant" and the "bread of life" which Jesus provides for his disciples in the Lord's Supper or Eucharist. It also points to the Messianic banquet which Jesus will provide at the end of the age when he comes again in his glory. The miracles of Jesus demonstrate the power of God's love and mercy for his people. God's kindness knows no limits. And the ultimate expression of his love is revealed in the person of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. He became flesh for our sake, and he died for our redemption, and he rose that we, too, might be raised up and glorified with him. Do you thirst for God and for the abundant life and blessings he offers to you?

"Heavenly Father, you have revealed your glory in our Lord Jesus Christ. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may bring you glory in all that I do and say."
- rc.net

CONFESSIONS will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass ~ weekdays, as well as on weekends.

BAPTISM Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office at 514-769-9678. A meeting with Parents and Godparents is a pre-requisite. Godparents must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church.

MARRIAGE Please contact the Parish Office or Father Gregory well in advance.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff

Yvonne Pelling (mat. leave)
Administration

Julian Paparella

*Administration and PCL
Adult Faith Formation*

We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick, Flo Davies, Adeline Doyle, Sterling Smith, Joe Brisindi, Dan Boyer, Rita Riley and Marie-Paul. God is with you always.

DIOCESAN WORLD YOUTH DAY—March 19, 2016!

Announcing diocesan World Youth Day 2016!!! The families and youth of Montreal will gather on **Saturday, March 19th**, the Saturday before Holy Week will celebrate *Diocesan World Youth Day* together with Pope Francis and the whole Catholic Church! **Youth Festival** begins at 12:00 at Mission Santa Cruz (60 Rachel O.), followed by a **Procession with Palms** through the streets of downtown to Saint Patrick’s Basilica, and **Mass with the Archbishop** at Cathedrale Marie-Reine-du-Monde!

PREX VI—February 12th, 13th, and 20th

We are very excited to announce our next edition of the Parish Renewal Experience! Please join us:
Friday, February 12th from 6:30-9:30pm
Saturday, February 13th from 9am-8pm
Saturday, February 20th from 9am-3pm
Together we deepen our faith and grow as a family!



ALPHA and Faith in the Family next Sunday!

Our ALPHA and Faith in the Family Programs continue next Sunday, January 24th! We begin with breakfast at 9am followed by catechesis for children and faith enrichment for adults at 9:30! *ALPHA is the perfect place to ask questions about life, and faith in a free and open atmosphere!* Please join us!



Silent Directed Retreats—“Be still and know that I am God”

Montreal Directed Retreats offers a quiet weekend for peaceful reflection to be with God. Upcoming retreat weekends are February 26-28 and April 8-10 at Maison de Pere, and May 27-29 at the Cistercian Abbey. The cost of each weekend is \$130.00. Please call Paul Empsall at 514-626-9462 or Catherine Cherry at 514-633-1172, or visit www.montrealretreats.org.

TAX RECEIPTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS

Saint Willibrord’s was just informed by the Archdiocese of Montreal that for every Mass Intention of \$15.00, a tax receipt of \$10.00 may be issued. We invite you to offer Masses for your loved ones and personal intentions to lift them to God through the Sacrifice of His Son Jesus.
Thank you for all of your Mass offerings!

Spirituality News

Join us for our next **First Friday Mass and Spirituality Talk** on Friday, February 5th at 7pm!
Living Faith prayer books for January to March are now available in the Parish Office or at the back of the Church for only \$2.00!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to Evelyn and Arthur Gilchrist & Ruth Laxina for their tremendous work cleaning our church & Rectory

Thank you to Mike for all his work clearing snow and serving our parish!

Thank you to Jonas Bolofer and the Salinggawi Fathers for their work repairing our Rectory!

Thank you to Carole Wepruk and Anastasia Wargachuk for all their help in the Office!

Thank you to our ALPHA leaders and catechists!